GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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IDENTIFICATION OF BPL PEOPLE
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the stipulation to limit to 9.38% of the total population for identification of families Below Poverty Line for the Tenth Five Year Plan (2002-2007) leads to severe Socio-economic problems in the State;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to remove the anomalies in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K.PATIL)

(a) to (c) As per existing guidelines, the number of Below Poverty Line (BPL) persons identified through the BPL Census 2002 may not exceed the number of BPL persons estimated by the Planning Commission for 1999-2000 for the rural sector or the number of persons as per the Adjusted Share computed by the Planning Commission, whichever is higher with an additional 10%.